

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM

NR Eligible: yes \_\_\_\_\_  
no ☒

Property Name: Dr. Peter L. Calomeris, General Dentistry Inventory Number: M: 29-63  
Address: 11421 Falls Road Historic district: yes ☒ no  
City: Potomac Zip Code: 20854 County: Montgomery  
USGS Quadrangle(s): Rockville  
Property Owner: Peter L. and L.V. Calomeris Tax Account ID Number: 00852290  
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): P037 Tax Map Number: FQ51  
Project: Falls Road Hiker/Biker Trail Agency: Montgomery Co Dept of Public Works & Tr  
Agency Prepared By: John Milner Associates, Inc.  
Preparer's Name: Sarah Traum Date Prepared: 3/14/2005  
Documentation is presented in: Montgomery County Historical Society  
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_ Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended  
Criteria: \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B \_\_\_ C \_\_\_ D Considerations: \_\_\_ A \_\_\_ B \_\_\_ C \_\_\_ D \_\_\_ E \_\_\_ F \_\_\_ G  
*Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:*  
Name of the District/Property: \_\_\_\_\_  
Inventory Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Eligible: yes Listed: yes  
Site visit by MHT Staf yes ☒ no Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

This property contains a Colonial Revival dwelling and a two-car garage on large lot. The two-story house has an asymmetrical form, with a shallow, cross gable at the north end of the historic core. The historic core measures three bays wide and three bays deep. Most of the core's exterior is sheathed with painted brick, although the second floor of the projecting ell is clad with vinyl siding. The slate roof has a closed rake. The windows are one-over-one double-hung sash with brick rowlock sills and are flanked by shutters. The front (west) entrance is a wood paneled door with sidelights and an elliptical fanlight. A brick interior chimney rises through the rear (east) roof slope. A hipped-roof porch stretches across the south gable end. This porch features a slate roof and wooden Tuscan columns for support.

Two one-story additions are located on the north elevation of the historic core. Both additions have side gable roofs. The western of these two additions is three bays wide and one bay deep, with a brick exterior. This addition has a large Palladian window in its north gable end. The other addition is three bays deep and is a frame structure clad with vinyl siding.

A one-story garage with parged exterior is located northeast of the house. This two-car garage features an asphalt-shingled side-gable roof and six-over-six double-hung sash flanked by shutters. An in-ground swimming pool is found at the rear (east) of the

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MHT Comments:

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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house. An asphalt drive leads to the property from Falls Road. This drive expands into a paved parking area northwest of the house. Foundation plantings ring the house and its large lot has scattered mature trees. A board fence, with brick posts at the entrance to the driveway, demarcates the edge of the property along Falls Road.

Through the mid-twentieth century, the area around the south portion of Falls Road in Montgomery County, where this property is located, was focused on agriculture, with many small farms along the road. At the south end of Falls Road is the crossroads community of Potomac (formerly Offutt's Crossroads). This community grew up in the early nineteenth century to serve the needs of local residents. Beginning in the mid-twentieth century, many of the small farms along Falls Road were purchased for subdivision for new housing developments (Sween and Offutt 1999:171).

According to assessment records, this house was built in 1940. No building appears at this location on a 1923 Rockville, MD.-VA. quadrangle, but there is a building here on the 1944 version of this map (USGS 1923, 1944). The additions to the building were built in 1984 (Montgomery County Permitting Services, Permit # 83B090065).

This property is not recommended eligible for listing in the Maryland Inventory of Historic Places and the National Register of Historic Places. The additions to this building diminish the integrity of design for the historic core, as these additions are similar in scale to the original building. These additions and alterations to the building have impacted its integrity of materials through the introduction of modern materials, such as vinyl siding, and the vinyl windows. This house does retain its original setting, that of a large suburban lot.

References cited:

Sween, Jane C., and William Offutt

1999 Montgomery County: Centuries of Change: An Illustrated History. Sun Valley, CA: American History Press.

United States Geological Survey (USGS)

1923 Rockville, MD.-VA., Quadrangle, 15-minute series. United States Geological Survey. Washington, D.C.

1944 Rockville, MD.-VA., Quadrangle, 15-minute series. United States Geological Survey. Washington, D.C.

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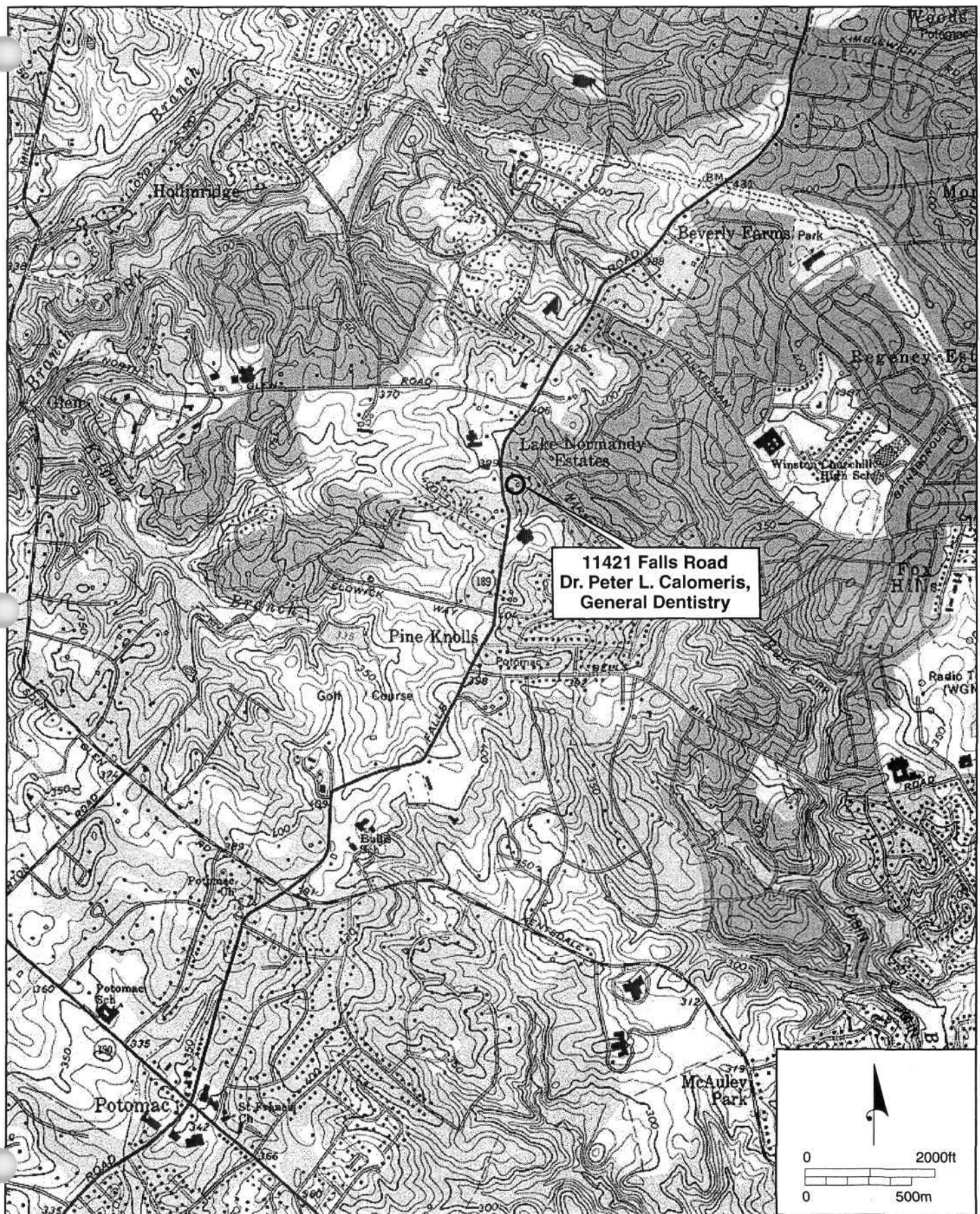
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